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## THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20505

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Dear Bill,

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Henry Kissinger's letter of 5 June requested you to organize and conduct a study of reconnaissance operations for the use of the 40 Committee and to consult with the Director of Central Intelligence on the usefulness of the intelligence product derived from these operations. I intend to be responsive to your study in the following way:

- a. General Lew Allen, my Deputy for the Intelligence Community, will coordinate for me on this matter and will work with your designated Defense people in charge of the study. To this end, he plans to use General Danny Graham and in the details of that involvement.
- b. I will have the CIA provide me an assessment of the value of the product derived from the operations being examined to national intelligence and seek the views of the U.S. Intelligence Board on this value assessment.
- c. I also plan to solicit the views of USIB on the usefulness of intelligence collected by all systems addressed in the letter in response to USIB objectives and priority requirements in general.
  - d. I will then provide you with my views.

In order to accomplish these USIB assessments and include responsiveness to national and other intelligence requirements, I suggest that you ask your designee to make available to General Allen the results of their studies along with whatever judgments and assessments they develop concerning the requirements being satisfied by these collection systems. General Graham and are available to meet with your designated participants at

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any time and to the extent necessary to complete the requested evaluations by the time set in the letter.

Sincerely,

/s/ James R. Schlesinger

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The Honorable William P. Clements, Jr. Acting Secretary of Defense 3 E 880, The Pentagon Washington, D. C.



MEMORANDUM FOR: PYW Schlesinger's marching orders re: Kissinger's request for the U.S. recce program review. I have sent a copy to Herb Jenne. file 40 Committee (DATE) (47) REPLACES FORM 10-101 FORM NO. 101 WHICH MAY BE USED.

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